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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 26, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

In the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization to charge such fees is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.